### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

#### TYLER DIVISION

J.D. GREEN §
v. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 6:14ev681
COMMISSIONER, SOCIAL SECURITY §
ADMINISTRATION

# ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

# OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, which contains her findings, conclusions, and recommendation for the disposition of this action, has been presented for consideration. The Report and Recommendation recommends that the decision of the Commissioner be affirmed and the complaint be dismissed. Plaintiff has filed a written objection to the R & R.

Having made a *de novo* review of the objection filed by Plaintiff, the Court finds that the findings, conclusions and recommendation of the Magistrate Judge are correct. Plaintiff contends in the objection that the ALJ and the Report of the Magistrate Judge incorrectly determined there was no error in the assessment of Plaintiff's credibility. Plaintiff argues that "the Magistrate Judge erroneously concluded that the ALJ's reliance on his determination that Mr. Green is not disabled was a proper ground for finding that Mr. Green was not fully credible". *See* Objections to the R & R at 1; *see* also Report and Recommendations at 7-10.

The Magistrate Judge's Report fully addresses the issue of credibility. As the Magistrate Judge pointed out, the ALJ did not entirely reject Plaintiff's allegations. SSR 96-7p, 1996 WL

374186, at \*4 (the adjudicator need not totally accept or totally reject the claimant's statements).

The ALJ incorporated Plaintiff's testimony into its assessment by finding that Plaintiff could

perform only light work that included only occasional climbing of ladders, ropes, or scaffolds. See

Tr. at 15. The ALJ further found that Plaintiff could perform light work that required only occasional

overhead reaching with the left upper extremity. See Tr. At 19. Therefore, despite Plaintiff's

contention otherwise, the ALJ considered Plaintiff's testimony and used it to establish Plaintiff's

residual functional capacity. Considering Plaintiff's subjective reports together with the medical

findings from the adjudicated period, the Magistrate Judge properly found that the ALJ correctly

determined that Plaintiff's statements concerning the intensity, persistence, and limiting effects of

his symptoms were not entirely credible. See Tr. at 19-22.

Therefore, Plaintiff's objection is without merit and will be overruled. There is substantial

evidence in the record supporting the Commissioner's decision. The findings and conclusions of

the Magistrate Judge are therefore adopted as those of the Court.

In light of the foregoing, it is

**ORDERED** that Plaintiff's objections are hereby **OVERRULED**. It is further

**ORDERED** that the decision of the Commissioner is **AFFIRMED** and the complaint is

hereby **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. It is further

**ORDERED** that any motion not previously ruled on is **DENIED**.

SIGNED this 24th day of March, 2016.

MICHAEL H. SCHNEIDER

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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